

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please replace the abstract, as filed, with the following amended abstract:

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A mower with a blade housing, in which a blade rotates about a vertical rotational axis in a rotational plane, so that for movement of the mower in the mowing direction, the cutting material is cut corresponding to the diameter of the blade. ~~According to the invention, it is proposed that the~~ The front region of the blade housing in the mowing direction ~~be at least~~ is partially covered by a base plate, which extends between the blade and the ground; and that the rotational plane of the blade in the operating position ~~be inclined at an angle of more than 0° to 15° to the ground. It can also be provided that the front region of the blade housing in the mowing direction be at least partially covered by a base plate, which extends between the blade and the ground, and that the~~ The blade ~~have~~ has at least two cutting edges or cutting edge regions with different cutting heights in the radial direction.